Remarks

Reconsideration and allowance of the above identified application is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action dated 9/21/2004 the Examiner rejected pending claims 1-3, 5, 7, and 8 under 35 USC 102 as anticipated. Claims 4, 6 and 9-11 were objected to. Claims 12-14 were allowed. The Office Action and the references cited therein have been carefully considered and the above amendment is presented in an effort to advance prosecution of the application.

The Examiner rejected claims 1, 3 and 5 as anticipated by US Patent 3,827,443 (Drayer). Claims 7 and 8 were rejected as anticipated by 4,148,323 (McMillen).

Applicant has amended claims 1 and 7 to include the limitations of claims 4 and 9 respectively, as suggested by the examiner so as to overcome the rejections under 35 USC 102 based on the cited art. Claims 4 and 9 have been cancelled.

Additionally claims 2, 11 and 13 have been amended to correct the lack of antecedent basis.

It is therefore believed that the rejection of all the claims should be withdrawn and that this application is in condition for allowance. Such allowance is respectfully requested.

Any fees or charges due as a result of filing of the present communication may be charged against Deposit Account 04-0525.

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